



## **Yuma County Local Emergency Planning Committee**

### **Minutes of the Meeting December 12, 2013**

#### **PRESENT:**

Michael Callahan, Gowan Milling, Group 5  
Chief Paul DeAnda, Somerton-Cocopah Fire Department, Group 2  
Jeff Denman, citizen at large, Group 4  
Gary Elk, Western Precooling, Group 5  
Mike Erfert, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2  
Greg Ferguson, Yuma County Board of Supervisors, Group 1  
Earl Hamilton, MCAS Disaster Preparedness, Group 2  
John Hannon, Rural Metro, Group 2  
Manuel Hernandez, City of Yuma Utilities Department, Group 2  
Mark Hutsell, Yuma Regional Medical Center, Group 2  
Gary Koehn, Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, Group 5  
Ema Lea Shoop, citizen at large, Group 4  
Lt. Darren Simmons, Representing Sheriff Leon Wilmot, Alternate Group 1  
Michelle Smith, Health Department, Group 2  
Cynthia Snyder, American Red Cross, Group 4  
Kevin Tunell, Communications Director, Group 3  
Cathi Lara, Yuma County Office of Emergency Management, Group 2  
Tony Badilla, Emergency Management Director, Group 2

#### **ABSENT:**

John Andoh, YCIPTA, Group 2  
Tim Beeler, MCAS Yuma, Group 2  
Michael Kemp, Driscoll's, Group 5  
Charles Ruerup, DPW at Yuma Proving Grounds, Group 5  
Neil Sparks, RSC Rental, Group 5  
Phil Smithers, Arizona Public Service, Group 5  
Denise Whisman, Ferrell Gas, Group 5  
Sheriff Leon Wilmot, Group 1  
Benjamin T Wilson, citizen at large, Group 4  
Mayor Al Krieger, Group 1  
Warren Quirk, Excel Group / WORC Center, Group 5  
Lester Pate, Arizona Public Service, Group 5  
Robert Barocio, Yuma Proving Grounds, Group 2

Marc Holyfield, Arizona Western College, Group 2  
David Slade, Yuma Cogeneration Associates, Group 5  
Chief Jeff Philpot, Wellton Department of Public Safety, Group 2  
Noel Robles, Shaw Inc., Group 2  
Rosario Zavala, Quechan Police Department, Group 2  
Mario Avalos, Helena Chemical Corporation, Group 5  
Enrique Medina Ochoa, Group 2  
Maria (Patti) Michael, Land O'Lakes Company, Group 5  
Chief Jack McArthur, Representing Al Krieger, Alternate Group 1

We were able to make a quorum of 10 persons present with all groups represented from Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, Group 4 and Group 5.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Mike Erfert called the meeting to order at 0907 hours at the Yuma County Public Works/EOC 4343 S Avenue 5 ½ E, Yuma, Arizona on 12 December 2013.

**2. INTRODUCTION:**

Members and guests present introduced themselves. Guests present included

Phil Hillesheim, Bureau of Reclamation  
Dawn M Holts, Achieve Human Services  
Sam Yarbrough, Yuma Auxiliary Communications Service

**3. MINUTES:**

Upon motion of Ema Lea Shoop with second by Manny Hernandez, the minutes of the meeting held 09 August 2013 were approved.

**4. FIFTEEN MINUTE TRAINING/PRESENTATION:**

Mark Hutsell, Yuma Regional Medical Center did a PowerPoint and short video on Decontamination procedures at YRMC, Yuma

**5. GRANT STATUS:**

Cathi Lara, Financial Assistant, Yuma County Office of Emergency Management announced that:

- a. HMEP competitive portion was spent to Yuma Area Ammonia Safety Days.
- b. HMEP non-competitive portion has been expended.
- c. 2014 HMEP Grant Application- Grant was submitted and we are waiting on award.

**6. MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

**6a: Approval of Renewals**

Al Krieger, Group 1 LEPC Committee decided to table until next meeting.

**6b: Introduction of potential members; possible action on Membership Applications**

Upon motion by Tony Badilla and second by Paul Deanda, the following applications were removed from consideration due to failure to appear before the LEPC committee:

Charles Reurup, Group 5

Andre Perry, Group 4

**6c: Approval of Designated Alternate**

None at this time

**6d: Approval of Resignation**

Lester Pate, Group IV of APS has been transferred from the Yuma area, the LEPC Committee members chose to table his resignation to next meeting.

**7. New Business- Discussion and Possible Action:**

Upon motion from Mike Erfert and second by Cynthia Snyder Lt. Darren Simmons was nominated and then elected as 2014 Vice Chairman by the LEPC.

**7b: Discussion and possible action regarding local incidents.**

None

**7c. Discussion and Possible action regarding 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Yuma Area Ammonia Safety Day**

Planning moving forward to have a LEPC –Yuma County Booth 1-2 people per couple of hour time period to promote local LEPC.

**7d. Discuss PIMA County LEPC Event**

Tony mentioned LEPC Conference in Tucson sometime in January. Tony will follow up with members once he receives more information.

**8. Old Business- Discussion and Possible Action:**

- a. Type 3 Incident Management Team- Mike Erfert discussion of budget 2014 consists of all Hazmat positions specific to IC, planning, safety, etc.

**9. Chair Status Report, Chairman Mike Erfert**

Mike Erfert term as chairman ends with current year and thanked everyone for coming to LEPC Meetings and for having him as chairman. 2014 Manny Hernandez will start his term as chairman.

**10. Public Comment or Committee Review of the LEPC Emergency Response Plan**

Tab J: Medical Facility Decontamination was reviewed. Upon motion by Michelle Smith and second Gary Koehn Committee agreed to remove third bullet from Tab J.

**11. Good of the Order/Announcements**

Hazardous Household Collection event- not many people showed up but it is spring time.

**12. Call to the Public**

No one from the public was available to answer the call.

**13. Adjourn**

Upon motion by Lt. Darren Simmons with second by Manny Hernandez, and with no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1021 hours.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2014 at a new meeting location at Yuma County Health Auditorium located at Yuma County Public Health at 2200 W 28th Street Yuma, AZ. 85364

Thank you,

Cathi Lara

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Financial Assistant

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